

REMARKS

In the patent application, claims 1-13 are pending. In the office action, all pending claims are rejected.

Applicant has amended claims 1, 5, 8 and 11 to include the limitation that the adaptation mechanisms or capabilities are related to the data delivery process. The support for the amendment can be found on p.4, lines 31-34.

No new matter has been introduced.

At page 2 of the office action, claims 1-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by *Riddle* (U.S. Patent No. 6,175,856 B1). The Examiner stated that *Riddle* discloses a method for signaling and negotiation as claimed.

Applicant respectfully disagrees.

As amended, claims 1, 5, 8 and 11 has the limitation that the adaptation mechanisms or capabilities are regarding a data delivery process

Riddle only discloses a method and system that controls selection of a compressor in the communication system. In particular, *Riddle* discloses a method for receiving information identifying decompression processing capabilities at a remote processor, and selecting a particular compression process for use in compressing data for transmission to the remote processor, response to the information. *Riddle* does not disclose or even suggest a method and system for signaling information about adaptation mechanisms or capabilities regarding a data delivery process.

For the above reasons, claims 1, 5, 8 and 11 are clearly distinguishable over the cited *Riddle* reference.

As for claims 2-4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12 and 13, they are dependent from claims 1, 5, 8 and 11 and recite features not recited in claims 1, 5, 8 and 11. For the same reasons, these dependent claims are also distinguishable over the cited *Riddle* reference.

CONCLUSION

Claims 1-13 are allowable. Early allowance of claims 1-13 is earnestly solicited.

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